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Dear Delegate

We are delighted to welcome you to the Medico-Legal Issues in Oncology conference. AvMA hope you find the day informative and interesting. AvMA staff will be on hand to help make it so and we hope that the following information will help make the day more pleasant and productive.

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Speakers are happy to answer your questions at the end of their presentation. We would be grateful if you could identify yourself and your company before asking your questions.

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All documentation received at the time before the event is enclosed within the online documentation pack. Any missing papers will either be distributed during the event or be available for download soon after the event. Please be assured that AvMA always endeavours to offer a complete set of speaker papers included within the documentation pack. However, due to other commitments by our speakers this is not always possible.

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EVALUATION FORMS:

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CPD CONFIRMATION:

APIL: 5 hours 50 minutes

Bar Council: 5 hours 50 minutes

SRA competencies: B

Provider ID Number: 1051

The conference code is AC/AvMA 357

Finally, if there are any problems, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Paula Santos
Events & Webinar Co-ordinator, AvMA

Medico-Legal Issues in Oncology Speaker Biographies

MR. TERENCE DUFFY MA FRCS After Higher Surgical Training in Cambridge (As Senior Registrar, Lecturer in Surgery and Fellow of Jesus College), Mr Duffy was appointed Consultant Surgeon and Senior Lecturer in Surgery (Keele University) at the North Staffordshire Hospital Centre in 1984. His major interest has been in the diagnosis and management of Disorders of the Breast, both benign and malignant. Mr Duffy was Lead Clinician in Breast Care at the University Hospital North Staffordshire heading a multidisciplinary team providing care for a population exceeding 450,000 for 15 years. He has prepared Medico-Legal Reports and appeared as an expert witness since 1987 in the fields of Breast Diseases and Disorders, Personal Injury, Hernia and General Surgery.

PROFESSOR ROBERT GRIMER Qualifying in 1976 his first house job was at the Middlesex Hospital working on a bone tumour unit where the only operation was amputation, despite which most of the patients died. Four years later and after passing FRCS he was appointed to the Birmingham training scheme and worked again in the bone tumour unit but in just 4 years the treatment had radically changed to limb salvage (for many) and chemotherapy and outcomes had improved significantly. RJG was hooked and has spent his subsequent career managing patients with bone and soft tissue tumours. At a very early stage he created a database of the patients treated and their outcomes and this now has details of over 8000 patients with sarcomas, one of the largest databases in the world for this. He has published 360 peer reviewed papers and numerous book chapters with an H factor of 69 and his papers have been cited 15332 times. He has lectured extensively but his main aim has always been to improve outcomes for patients with sarcoma.

MR. DUNCAN HARRISS was appointed consultant urologist in 1997. He specialises in the diagnosis and treatment of urological cancers particularly the pelvic cancers of the prostate and bladder. His research thesis explored intracellular mechanisms underlying bladder smooth muscle function. He has published papers on many urological subjects.

Duncan has a busy medicolegal practice reporting for both Claimant and Defendant in a wide range of urological matters. Instructing solicitors have commented on his clear, consistent opinions which are well argued in his reports and his team's excellent service with immediate responses to any approach or query.

PROFESSOR JONATHAN JOFFE has been a consultant medical oncologist since 1994. He has trained at The Royal Free Hospital in London, The Royal Marsden Hospital and Institute of Cancer Research in London / Sutton and then St James University Hospital in Leeds.

He has undertaken a number of National leadership roles and has previously been a senior medical manager within the NHS.

He is the immediate past chair of the Association of Cancer Physicians and the current chair of the Royal College of Physicians Joint specialty Committee for Medical Oncology.

He represents the royal College of Physicians and the ACP on the Independent National Cancer Advisory Group.

Professor Joffe was awarded an honorary visiting professorship in the University of Leeds in 2013.

His major clinical interests are in breast, testicular and Germ Cell Cancers.

Research interests: Active leader and participant in many translational and clinical trials of cancer treatments.

He has served two terms as the Chair of the National Cancer Research Institute Clinical Studies Group for Testicular Cancer.

MR. MALCOLM WILSON is the clinical lead for colorectal surgery at The Christie, where he has been a consultant since 2000. Prior to that he was a consultant at Macclesfield and Stepping Hill hospitals from 1998 to 2000. He qualified at the Royal London Hospital in 1986 and undertook most of his surgical training in Manchester, having also spent time at the Cleveland Clinic, Fort Lauderdale.

His interests are in treating appendiceal, colorectal and anal cancers and was one of the founding clinicians of the Peritoneal Tumour Service at the Christie (one of 2 national units). He is experienced in open surgery, with an emphasis on complex and recurrent pelvic and peritoneal tumours.

He has presented and published on a variety of subjects including GI malignancies, post-surgical adhesions, hernia repairs and peritoneal tumours.

He has been active in producing medico-legal reports for the past 6 years (80% claimant, 20% defendant), taking on about 24-26 new cases per annum.

MR. ALASTAIR WRIGHT acts for both Claimants and Defendants in Personal Injury and Professional Negligence work, but has an exclusively Claimant practice in Clinical Negligence. He has represented clients before all levels of the Judiciary, including the House of Lords. His PI work encompasses maximum severity head and spinal injury litigation and his clinical negligence work includes cerebral palsy and other birth injury as well as surgical mismanagement. The Chambers and Partners 2018 directory had this to say about him:

“Alastair advises on fatal cases and claims with an important psychiatric health angle as part of his broader personal injury and industrial disease practice. He is also adept at handling cases concerning surgical mismanagement, delayed diagnosis and informed consent.”

Strengths: Very approachable, good on his feet, calm and assured in his manner.”

- Chambers & Partners 2018

“Very experienced in claimant clinical negligence cases”